Amendments to the Claims

1   Claim 1 (currently amended): A method of enabling events to automatically and dynamically

2   adapt to capabilities of a management system, comprising steps of:

3   receiving one or more events at the management system; and

4   evaluating each received event to determine if an additional capability is available for the

5   management system, and programmatically appending the additional capability to the event if so;

6   thereby automatically and dynamically adapting the received events to the capabilities of

7   the management system without requiring change to applications generating the events.

1   Claim 2 (original): The method according to Claim 1, further comprising the step of

2   programmatically invoking processing of the appended additional capabilities.

1   Claim 3 (original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein selected ones of the appended

2   additional capabilities comprise a name of an executable task.

1   Claim 4 (original): The method according to Claim 2, wherein selected ones of the appended

2   additional capabilities comprise a name of an executable task and wherein the programmatically

3   invoking step comprises executing the task.

1   Claim 5 (original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein selected ones of the appended

2   additional capabilities comprise a rule to be added to a rule base server.

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1   Claim 6 (original): The method according to Claim 2, wherein selected ones of the appended

2   additional capabilities comprise a rule to be evaluated by a rule base server and wherein the

3   programmatically invoking step comprises evaluating the rule by the rule base server.

1   Claim 7 (original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein selected ones of the appended

2   additional capabilities comprise a property name and value.

1   Claim 8 (original): The method according to Claim 2, wherein selected ones of the appended

2   additional capabilities comprise a property name and value and wherein the programmatically

3   invoking step comprises determining if a rule associated with that property name and value exists

4   in a rule base and evaluating the rule if so.

1   Claim 9 (original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein a flag indicates whether the

2   appended additional capability for a selected event has been processed.

1   Claim 10 (currently amended): The method according to Claim [[1]] 2, wherein a precondition

2   for the programmatically invoking step comprises determining whether an appended additional

3   capability is present on a selected event, and determining that the appended additional capability

4   has not already been performed.

1   Claim 11 (original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein the programmatically appending

2   further comprises adding a slot to a representation of the event.

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1   Claim 12 (original): The method according to Claim 1, wherein the programmatically appending

2   further comprises adding a property to an object representing the event.

1   Claim [[11]] 13 (currently amended): The method according to Claim 1, wherein the

2   programmatically appending further comprises adding a field to a representation of the event.

1   Claim [[12]] 14 (currently amended): A system for enabling events to automatically and

2   dynamically adapt to capabilities of a management system, comprising:

3   means for receiving one or more events at the management system; and

4   means for evaluating each received event to determine if an additional capability is

5   available for the management system, and programmatically appending the additional capability

6   to the event if so;

7   thereby automatically and dynamically adapting the received events to the capabilities of

8   the management system without requiring change to applications generating the events.

1   Claim [[13]] 15 (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[12]] 14, further

2   comprising means for programmatically invoking processing of the appended additional

3   capabilities.

1   Claim [[14]] 16 (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[12]] 14, wherein selected

2   ones of the appended additional capabilities comprise a name of an executable task and wherein

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3   the means for programmatically invoking comprises means for executing the task.

1   Claim [[15]] 17 (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[12]] 14, wherein

2   selected ones of the appended additional capabilities comprise a rule to be evaluated by a rule

3   base server and wherein the means for programmatically invoking comprises means for

4   evaluating the rule by the rule base server.

1   Claim [[16]] 18 (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[12]] 14, wherein selected

2   ones of the appended additional capabilities comprise a property name and value and wherein the

3   means for programmatically invoking comprises means for determining if a rule associated with

4   that property name and value exists in a rule base and means for evaluating the rule if so.

1   Claim [[17]] 19 (currently amended): The system according to Claim [[12]] 14, wherein a

2   precondition for operation of the means for programmatically invoking comprises determining

3   whether an appended additional capability is present on a selected event, and determining that the

4   appended additional capability has not already been performed.

1   Claim [[18]] 20 (currently amended): A computer program product for enabling events to

2   automatically and dynamically adapt to capabilities of a management system, the computer

3   program product embodied on one or more computer-usable media and comprising:

4   computer readable program code means for receiving one or more events at the

5   management system; and

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6   computer readable program code means for evaluating each received event to determine if

7   an additional capability is available for the management system, and programmatically appending

8   the additional capability to the event if so;

9   thereby automatically and dynamically adapting the received events to the capabilities of

10   the management system without requiring change to applications generating the events.

1   Claim [[19]] 21 (currently amended): The computer program product according to Claim [[18]]

2   20, further comprising computer readable program code means for programmatically invoking

3   processing of the appended additional capabilities.

1   Claim [[20]] 22 (currently amended): The computer program product according to Claim [[18]]

2   20, wherein selected ones of the appended additional capabilities comprise a name of an

3   executable task and wherein the computer readable program code means for programmatically

4   invoking comprises computer readable program code means for executing the task.

1   Claim [[21]] 23 (currently amended): The computer program product according to Claim [[18]]

2   20, wherein selected ones of the appended additional capabilities comprise a rule to be evaluated

3   by a rule base server and wherein the computer readable program code means for

4   programmatically invoking comprises computer readable program code means for evaluating the

5   rule by the rule base server.

1   Claim [[22]] 24 (currently amended): The computer program product according to Claim [[18]]

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2   20, wherein selected ones of the appended additional capabilities comprise a property name and

3   value and wherein the computer readable program code means for programmatically invoking

4   comprises computer readable program code means for determining if a rule associated with that

5   property name and value exists in a rule base and means for evaluating the rule if so.

1   Claim [[23]] 25 (currently amended): The computer program product according to Claim [[18]]

2   20, wherein a precondition for operation of the computer readable program code means for

3   programmatically invoking comprises determining whether an appended additional capability is

4   present on a selected event, and determining that the appended additional capability has not

5   already been performed.

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